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THE MARKET NEWS SERVICE ON GRAIN



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THE MARKET NEWS SERVICE on GRAIN

WHAT IT IS

“Should I sell now?” and “Should I buy now?” are two important questions farmers and others engaged in the production and marketing of grain and related products need to answer before trading in these commodities. To help buyers, sellers, and others in the grain industry make buying and selling decisions, the U.S. Department of Agriculture offers a nationwide grain market news service which provides up-to-the-minute, unbiased reports on prices paid in various markets, volume sold, and other important trading data. This service, conducted by USDA’s Consumer and Marketing Service in cooperation with State departments of agriculture, links thousands of people across the country. Reports are flashed across the Nation through a 20,000-mile nationwide leased teletype wire network, and quickly made public by radio and television broadcasts, newspaper articles, and mailed reports.

WHAT IT COVERS

The grain market news service provides information about:

- Grain (wheat, rye, corn, oats, barley, grain sorghum, soybeans, and flaxseed)
- Feedstuffs (feed for animals)
- Rice
- Molasses

- Dry edible beans and peas
- Hay
- Hops

WHAT IT INCLUDES

Market news reports on grain and related products include information on:

- Market highlights
- Current cash prices by grade and/or type
- Current market conditions—including supply, demand, and trading activity
- Production, stocks, shipments, receipts
- Price support activities
- Commodity Credit Corporation stocks and sales
- Exports, imports, and inspections for export
- Foreign prices and markets (when available and applicable)

In other words, grain market news brings together information on the key factors that make up a market—supply, demand, quality, and price.

HOW IT IS COLLECTED

Trained market news reporters obtain and verify price and other related market information by personal interview, telephone, and mail from buyers and sellers.

Grain market reporters are stationed in 27 major terminal markets and grain producing or consuming areas. They analyze price, movement, demand, supply, and other related information, and prepare regular reports on the market.

HOW TO GET MARKET NEWS REPORTS

Look and listen for market news reports in newspapers, and over radio and television stations. Ask for them if they are not being carried. These reports are available to all news outlets. Market news reports are also mailed free upon request.

Market news is a two-way street—a constant flow of information going out as well as coming in. This makes it possible to get market news information quickly and efficiently to those who need it.

Persons interested in receiving mailed market news reports should contact one of the following offices:

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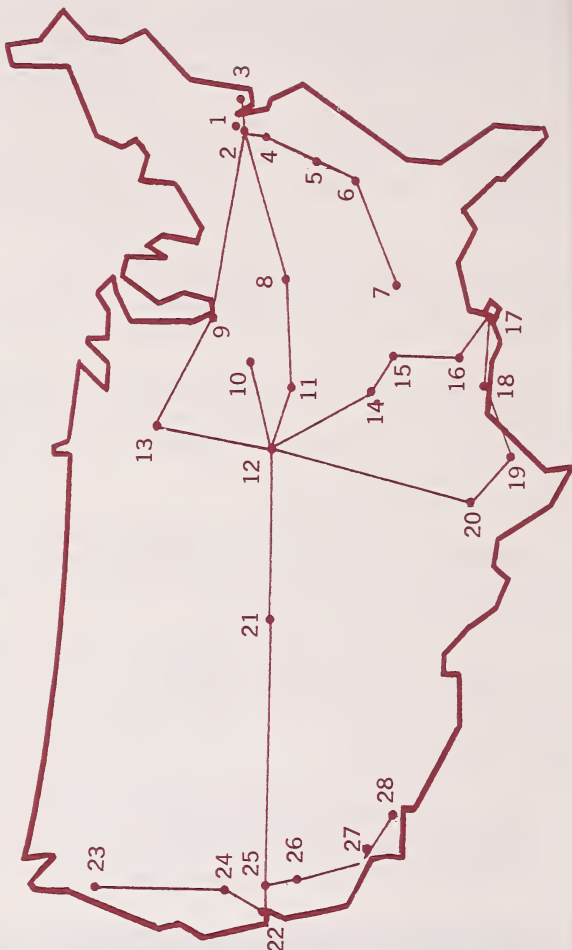


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